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The Unified Communications Center ("UCC") is a city-wide project that will be the future home of the Government of the District of Columbia's Fire/Emergency Medical Services 911, Metropolitan Police Department 911/311, Mayor's City-Wide Call Center (727-1000), Emergency Management Agency, Emergency Operations Center and the City-Wide Technology/Communication Center.

2005 INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

PASSPORT TO WORK PROGRAM

For the fourth year in a row, the UCC Project participated in the Department of Employment Services Passport to Work summer internship program by serving as a worksite host representative on behalf of the Office of the Chief Technology Officer (OCTO). Three students from Ward 8 were welcomed onto the site in order to provide an opportunity for each of them to gain invaluable work experience in the areas of project management, construction management, and technology services. In addition to mentoring, the program provided exposure in the areas of career development and workplace preparedness.



MEET THE INTERNS



CONSTANCE TURNER

Age: 14

Hobbies: Writing, Speaking, and Eating Previous Work Experience: None Siblings: 5 brothers and sisters

Career Goal: Journalist (Howard, UDC)
Favorite Food: Macaroni & Cheese
Best Quality: Open-mindedness



KAREEMA TURNER

Age: 16

Hobbies: Poetry, Music, Basketball, Modeling Previous Experience: Recreational asst,

Siblings: 5 brothers and sisters

College Choice: Child Development (NC A&T)

Favorite Food: French Fries Best Quality: Writing skills





CHARLES ANDERSON

Age: 16

Hobbies: Movies, Skating, Shopping Previous Experience: Custodial work Siblings: 3 brothers and sisters College Choice: Computer Technician

Favorite Food: Pizza Best Quality: Learn quick





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COMMUNITY OUTREACH



WARD 8 THANKSGIVING BASKET FOOD DRIVE

The Unified Communications Center (UCC) Project Team, in conjunction with the Jair Lynch/Tompkins Joint Venture, held their second annual Thanksgiving Basket Drive and collected enough contributions to donate 50 complete Thanksgiving dinner baskets (including turkeys) to needy families in Ward 8. The identification of families and distribution of the baskets was coordinated with the Ward 8 Advisory Neighborhood Commissioners. The effort was tremendously successful thanks to the generous corporate contributions from the Jair Lynch/Tompkins Joint Venture, Jacobs Engineering group, TDC, Young Engineering Systems, L.Robert Kimball & Associates, Capitol City Associates, Inc. and personal contributions from employees of The Office of the Chief Technology Officer (OCTO). The baskets were distributed at St. Elizabeths Chapel just in time for the holidays.

WARD 8 HOLIDAY GIVING EVENT

The Unified Communications Center (UCC) Project team got into the spirit of the holiday season with its charitable giving to the Ward 8 community. The ANC 8C Chairperson, Mary Cuthbert, identified seven deserving children ranging from 7 months to 9 years of age to receive gifts. As a result of the overwhelming support received through generous personal contributions from the UCC Project team, in conjunction with Jacobs Facilities, Jair Lynch/Tompkins Joint Venture, Telecommunications Development Corporation, Young Enterprise Systems, and Capital City Associates, the project was able to donate four various sized bicycles and three other age-appropriate toys to help make the holidays a little brighter for those less fortunate.

The Unified Communications Project

A major city investment east of the river, contributing to public safety, economic development and neighborhood revitalization

-Anthony A. Williams, Mayor